

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended): A method ~~Method~~ for the production of plastic skins by powder sintering, ~~in which powder is comprising:~~

applying a powder applied to a forming tool, and

sintering said powder to form ~~where it forms a plastic skin by sintering,~~

wherein

a partial area of said ~~the~~ forming tool is being made inaccessible to ~~for~~ the powder by means of a sealing device, ~~at least in a first pulverisation step, characterised in that~~

said ~~the~~ forming tool has a separating web along an edge of said ~~the~~ partial area, and

said sealing device is ~~in that a mask having an inflatable sealing edge serves as a sealing device, said the mask abutting with said the sealing edge against said the separating web during a the first pulverization pulverisation~~ step and being secured solely to said ~~the~~ forming tool.

2. (Currently Amended): A ~~Production~~ method according to claim 1, wherein said ~~characterised in that the first pulverization pulverisation~~ step is followed by at least one additional pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step, ~~preferably to produce a plastics material layer which is of a different colour from a first plastics material layer produced in the first pulverisation step, the and said mask is being~~ removed for said ~~the~~ additional pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step.

3. (Currently Amended): A ~~Production~~ method according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~characterised in that the~~ separating web is undercut and thus forms a groove which is open towards the partial area and in which the sealing edge comes to rest during the first pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step.

4. (Currently Amended): A ~~Production~~ method according to Claim 1, wherein

~~characterised in that the~~ at least a surface of said forming tool consists of nickel, at least at a surface which receives the plastic skin being produced is made of nickel.

5. (Currently Amended): A Production ~~method~~ according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~characterised in that the~~ sealing edge of the mask is made of ~~consists of~~ silicon or a duroplastic elastomer.

6. (Currently Amended): A Production ~~method~~ according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~characterised in that the~~ plastic skin is provided with areas of differing graining due to the different graining of a surface receiving the plastic skin being produced, inside and outside the partial area.

7. (Currently Amended): A Production ~~method~~ according to Claim 1, wherein ~~characterised in that,~~ due to a three-dimensional contour of a surface of the forming tool receiving the plastic skin during the powder sintering ~~process~~, said plastic skin obtains a correspondingly three-dimensional contour, and ~~possibly due to a three-dimensional course of the separating web, on the plastic skin~~ a separating line having a correspondingly three-dimensional course is produced on the plastic skin between surface areas of differing color ~~colour~~ and/or graining.

8. (Currently Amended): A sintering ~~Sintering~~ tool for producing plastic skins by powder sintering, comprising:

~~which has~~ a forming tool with a surface for receiving a plastic skin, ~~being produced and~~  
~~which has~~ a sealing device for separating a partial area of said ~~the~~ surface,  
~~characterised in that the~~ forming tool having ~~has~~ a separating web on said ~~the~~ surface  
along an edge of said ~~the~~ partial area, and ~~in that~~

the sealing device is ~~designed as~~ a mask having a ~~preferably~~ inflatable sealing edge,  
which is to be secured to said ~~the~~ surface in such a way that the partial area is covered by the  
mask and the sealing edge abuts against the separating web.

9. (Currently Amended): ~~A sintering~~ Sintering tool according to claim 8, wherein characterised in that, when the mask is secured to the surface, the mask it is solely secured to the forming tool.

10. (Currently Amended): ~~A sintering~~ Sintering tool according to Claim 8, wherein said characterised in that the separating web is undercut and forms a groove which is open towards the partial area and in which the mask, when secured, abuts with the sealing edge against the separating web.

11. (Currently Amended): ~~A sintering~~ Sintering tool according to Claim 8, wherein said characterised in that the forming tool has a shell with a wall thickness of between 2 mm and 6 mm, ~~preferably between 2 mm and 4 mm~~, for receiving the plastic skin being produced.

12. (Currently Amended): ~~A sintering~~ Sintering tool according to Claim 8, wherein said characterised in that the forming tool is double-walled for guiding a ~~preferably~~ liquid heating medium and/or coolant in a cavity between two walls.

13. (Currently Amended): ~~A sintering~~ Sintering tool according to Claim 8, wherein said tool characterised in that it has at least one powder box on which the forming tool may be placed, the sintering tool being ~~preferably~~ mounted so as to be rotatable about a horizontal axis.

14. (Currently Amended): ~~A sintering~~ Sintering tool according to Claim 8, herein characterised in that the at least a surface of said forming tool ~~consists of nickel, at least at a surface~~ is made of nickel.

15. (Currently Amended): ~~A sintering~~ Sintering tool according to Claim 8, wherein said characterised in that the sealing edge of the mask is made of ~~consists of~~ silicon or a duroplastic elastomer.

16. (Currently Amended): A sintering ~~Sintering~~ tool according to Claim 8, wherein ~~said characterised in that the~~ mask has a thickness of between 1 mm and 6 mm, ~~preferably between 2 mm and 4 mm~~ and/or the sealing edge, when inflated, has a thickness of between 5 mm and 20 mm, ~~preferably between 10 mm and 15 mm.~~

17. (Currently Amended): A sintering ~~Sintering~~ tool according to Claim 8, wherein ~~said characterised in that the~~ separating web has a height of between 2 mm and 7 mm, ~~preferably between 3 mm and 5 mm~~ and/or a width of between 1 mm and 6 mm, ~~preferably between 2 mm and 4 mm.~~

18. (Currently Amended): A sintering ~~Sintering~~ tool according to Claim 10, wherein ~~said characterised in that the~~ groove has a depth of between 0.2 mm and 2 mm, ~~preferably between 0.3 mm and 1 mm.~~

19. (Currently Amended): A sintering ~~Sintering~~ tool according to Claim 8, wherein ~~said characterised in that the~~ surface has differing graining inside and outside the partial area.

20. (Currently Amended): A sintering ~~Sintering~~ tool according to Claim 8, wherein ~~said characterised in that the~~ surface has a three-dimensional contour.

21. (Currently Amended): A sintering ~~Sintering~~ tool according to Claim 8, wherein ~~said characterised in that the~~ separating web has a three-dimensional course.

22. (Currently Amended): A plastic ~~Plastic~~ part which has on one surface a plastic skin produced by ~~means of a production~~ the method according to Claim 1, wherein said the plastic skin has ~~preferably having~~ inside at least one area a surface of a different colour and/or different graining and at least one plastics material layer less than outside this area.

23. (Currently Amended): A plastic ~~Plastic~~ part according to claim 22, wherein said

~~characterised in that the plastic skin is back-foamed, preferably with polyurethane, the plastic part having in a particularly preferred manner a support which is foamed round or on.~~

24. (Currently Amended): A plastic ~~Plastic~~ part according to claim 22, characterised wherein said ~~characterised in that the plastic skin is back-sprayed, preferably with a back-spraying compound containing polypropylene.~~